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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on **page 2** of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on **page 3** of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on **page 5** of this paper.